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SUBJ: GVN DESIRE TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ETHIOPIA

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1. ETHIOPIAN PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNEMENT (EPMG) CURRENTLY STRUGGLING WITH MAJOR DOMESTIC PROBLEMS. IF PRESSED ON ISSUE OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GVN, WHICH ETHIOPIANS HAV SIDE-STEPPED IN PAST, EPMG DECISION MOST LIKELY TO BE NO ACTION, BUT REACTION COULD BE ADVERSE. THE NEW GOVERNEMENT HAS INDICATED THAT IT WISHES TO BE "STRICTLY" NON-ALIGNED IN ITS FOREIGN POLICY. IT SEEMS MOST UNLIKELY THAT IT WOULD DECIDE TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE GVN AT OR NEAR THE OUTSET OF ITS RECORD ON FOREIGN POLICY.

2. "MISS IMRU" (CF REFTTEL, PARA 1) IS SECOND-RANKING MOFA OFFICIAL WHOSE BROTHER WAS PRIME MINISTER UNTIL SEPT 12. SHE IS NOT NOTED FOR DARING OR BUREAUCRATIC DISPATCH AND WOULD NOT HAVE MADE DECISION ON TICKLISH PROBLEM SUCH AS GVN RELATIONS ON HER OWN.
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